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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA
MISSOULA DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

MICHAEL BLAKE DeFRANCE,

Defendant.

CR 21-29-M-DLC

**DEFENDANT DeFRANCE'S
UNOPPOSED MOTION TO SET
A BENCH TRIAL**

MOTION

Michael Blake DeFrance (Mr. DeFrance), by and through his attorney Michael Donahoe and the Federal Defenders of Montana, hereby requests that the Court set this matter for a bench trial.

Mr. DeFrance has been advised of his right to trial by jury. Mr. DeFrance has been provided with a waiver form and has signed the waiver of his jury trial rights. That waiver is filed under separate cover (*see* ECF No. 87).

CONTACT WITH OPPOSING COUNSEL

Assistant United States Attorney, Jennifer S. Clark, on behalf of the government, does not oppose this motion.

CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, Mr. DeFrance prays the Court will set this case for a bench trial.

RESPECTUFLY SUBMITTED this 8th day of March, 2022.

/s/ Michael Donahoe
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
L.R. 5.2(b)**

I hereby certify that on March 8, 2022, a copy of the foregoing document was served on the following persons by the following means:

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